Table 3D 2003 Pediatric Nutrition Surveillance (1) National

Summary of Breastfeeding Indicators Children Aged < 5 Years (2)

Summary of Breastfeeding Indicators (3)			
		National Prevalence	
	Number	%	
Breastfeeding Duration (4,5)			
Ever Breastfed	928,626	53.2	
Breastfed 1+ Weeks Breastfed 2+ Weeks Breastfed 3+ Weeks Breastfed 4+ Weeks Breastfed 6+ Weeks	657,039 550,552 472,904 427,300 377,687	50.1 46.7 44.2 41.8 37.0	
Breastfed 2+ Months Breastfed 3+ Months Breastfed 4+ Months Breastfed 5+ Months Breastfed 6+ Months	364,538 388,395 433,874 483,973 490,960	32.5 28.5 25.6 23.1 21.5	
Breastfed 9+ Months Breastfed 12+ Months	475,998 504,421	16.8 13.6	
Breastfed 18+ Months	375,112	7.9	



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⁽¹⁾ Reporting period is January 1 through December 31.

⁽²⁾ Analyses based on one record per child.

⁽³⁾ Excludes records with unknown data or errors.

⁽⁴⁾ Infants born during the reporting period included in the Ever Breastfed analysis. For each breastfeding duration category, the analysis includes only children who turned that age during the reporting period by/on their date of visit. For example, infants who turned 9 months old during the reporting period by/on their date of visit are included in the 9+ months analysis.

⁽⁵⁾ It is possible the analysis will show that slightly more infants are breastfed at older ages, e.g. 1+ week of age, than at younger ages, e.g. at birth (ever breastfed), due to variation in infants included in each breastfeeding analysis category.

^{*} Percentages are not calculated if < 100 records are available for analysis after exclusions.